CIRCULAR No. 46B
500—JUNE 1932

OHiC
373.1264
059Dt/H

ONTARIO

# Memorandum for High School Entrance Boards

RE FRENCH-SPEAKING CANDIDATES

1. The general regulations governing the High School Entrance Examination are set forth in Circular No. 48. In the cases of French-speaking candidates the attention of Entrance Boards is also directed to the provisions of Circulars No. 46 and 46 (a). Under Section II, Page 2 of Circular 46,

> "Instead of the requirements of Group I of the High School Entrance Examination, candidates who have been in attendance at schools in which French is a subject of instruction on the approval of the Minister may take the examination in French Reading, French Literature, French Grammar, French Composition and French Spelling, in addition to the examination in the subjects of Group II."

NUMBER OF CANDIDATES

2. Question papers in the five subjects specified above have been prepared and will be supplied for each centre at which candidates have been reported as desiring to write those papers. It is the duty of the Public School Inspectors, when reporting the names of the Entrance centres and of the Presiding Officers, to give also the probable number of candidates at each centre. Before submitting their reports they shall ascertain, both from their own schools and from the Separate School Inspectors in reference to their schools, the probable number of candidates who desire to take the Special French papers. The number for each centre shall be clearly indicated in the report. If necessary, a supplementary report giving this information shall be submitted to the Department.

### REPORTS OF PRINCIPALS

3. The Form (Form 14) on which Principals shall make their report to Entrance Boards on the standing of their candidates is provided by the Department, and Public and Separate School Inspectors shall obtain and forward to their schools copies of this Form. In view of the provisions of Circular 46, the Department has provided another form, Form 14 (a), similar to Form 14, for schools in which there are candidates who desire to take the Special French papers. The Inspectors concerned shall obtain from the Department and forward to their schools concerned copies of this form.

### PRESIDING OFFICER AND EXAMINERS

4. Circular No. 46 also provides that

> "Presiding Officers with adequate qualifications in both English and French will be appointed at centres at which French-speaking pupils are candidates. Competent examiners will also be selected to read the answer papers."

### MARKING ANSWER PAPERS AND RECORDING RESULTS

5. The marks assigned to the papers in French will be the same as those assigned to the corresponding papers in English.

Circular No. 46 (a) contains specific directions in reference to supplementary tests in English Composition and French Composition. A copy of this Circular is submitted herewith. As these directions not only pertain to the candidates when answering the questions on the papers in History and Geography, but also have a very important relation to the values to be assigned by the examiners to the candidates' answers, it is most imperative that Presiding Officers and Examiners shall thoroughly understand the directions contained in this Circular and see that they are fully observed.

6. High School Entrance Regulation 11 makes provision for determining the standing of candidates. In view of the provisions of Circular 46, under which, in lieu of Group I, candidates may take the Special French papers, the standing of such candidates under Regulation 11 shall be determined on the aggregate marks obtained on all the subjects of the Departmental examination. The schedule of marks is as follows:—

| SUBJECTS | MAXIMUM | MINIMUM |
|---|---|---|
| English Reading | 50 | 20 |
| English Spelling | 50 | 20 |
| Writing | 50 | 20 |
| English Literature | 100 | 40 |
| English Composition | 100 | 40 |
| Geography | 100 | 40 |
| History | 100 | 40 |
| Arithmetic | 100 | 40 |
| English Grammar | 100 | 40 |
| French Reading | 50 | 20 |
| French Spelling | 50 | 20 |
| French Literature | 100 | 40 |
| French Composition | 100 | 40 |
| French Grammar | 100 | 40 |
| Total | 1150 | |
| Pass Mark | 690 | |

Toronto, June, 1932.